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FOLLOWING INFORMATION CONCERNING ROAD STATUS IN THE SOUTHERN LAOTIAN PANHANDLE:

- INTERDICTIONS ON ROUTE 92, IMMEDIATELY NORTH OF THE JUNCTION WITH ROUTE 914, AT 1626N 10629E (UTM XD592190) HAVE BEEN NEITHER BY-PASSED NOR REPAIRED SINCE THEY WERE FIRST ROUTE 92 BETWEEN OBSERVED ON PHOTOGRAPHY THE JUNCTIONS AND BAN DONG WAS PROBABLY NOT USED BY VEHICLES DURING THIS PERIOD.
- ROUTE 914, ALTHOUGH IN AN EXTREMELY POOR STATE OF REPAIR IS PROBABLY PASSABLE WITH SOME DIFFICULTY. AT LEAST ONE VEHICLE HAS TRANSITED THE JUNCTION WITH ROUTE 92 AT 1626N 10629E (UTM XD592181) SINCE IT WAS OBSERVED TO BE UNSERVICEABLE

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3. ROUTES 92 AND ALTERNATE 92 REMAIN IMPASSABLE TO VEHICLES IN THE BAN BAC AREA AT 1551N 10646E (UTM XC901538) AND 1550N 10645E (UTM XC888523), RESPECTIVELY. SEVERE LANDSLIDES HAVE RENDERED THE ROADS UNSERVICEABLE AT THESE POINTS

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MAP REF: GEOGRAPHIC COORDINATES FROM USATC SERIES 200, SHEETS 0738-04HL, 0617-24HL

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